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- 1. On 29 May Vicente Lombardo Toledano, head of the CTAL, asked Rodolfo Guzman, Secretary General of the Confederacion de Trabajadores de Costa Rica, for copies of the labor code, laws, and history of Costa Rica and photographs of each member of the Central Executive Committee of the CTCR.
- 2. On 31 May Lombardo informed Guzman of a "Democratic Convention of Central America," to be held in September at a place and date as yet undetermined, which would give special attention to "syndical and democratic organization" of the Central American countries. Guzman was asked to furnish a list of Costa Rican personalities to be invited, as well as material on the economic, political, and social life of Costa Rica.
- 3. The projected conference would be divided into four main fields of discussion:
 - a. General report on Central America, to be given by Lombardo.
 - b. Report on the economic situation in Central American countries.
 - c. Report on the situation of Central American workers.
 - d. Report on the political situation in Central America.

Topics discussed under these headings would include the Clayton Plan, industrialization of Central America, and the fight against the American Federation of Labor.



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